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Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: Applicant: Chris Lacombe, et al.  
Serial No.: 10/734,453  
Art Unit: 3644  
Filed: December 12, 2003  
Examiner: Bret C. Hayes  
For: "Apparatus and Method for Blast Suppression"

Dear mr. Commissioner:

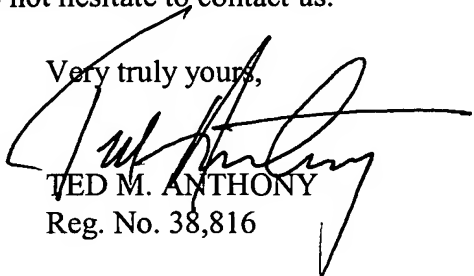
Enclosed in connection with the above referenced patent application are the following:

1. An original and one copy of a Response to First Office Action;
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a); and
3. Our firm check in the amount of \$225.00, representing the required filing fee under 37 CFR 1.27.

We have included a self-addressed, stamped post card which we ask that you return to us verifying receipt.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

  
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